Boston University Charles River Campus 2012-2022 Institutional Master Plan

Community Meeting

September 10, 2012



Overview

- Master Plan Process
- Draft Master Plan:
 - University Mission and Goals
 - Campus Demographics
 - Student Housing Plan
 - Planning and Urban Design
 - Development Program
 - Transportation
 - Sustainability
 - Economic Impact
 - Community Benefits





Institutional Master Plan Process

- Boston University Institutional Master Plan 2012-2022
 - 4th Charles River Campus Master Plan (1986, 1997, & 2003)
- 14 Month Public Process
 - 9 Community Task Force meetings
 - Notification Form (IMPNF) Filed
 - Community Meeting on IMPNF
 - IMPNF Comment Period Ended
 - Master Plan Scope Issued
 - Draft Master Plan Filed with BRA
 - Community Meeting on Draft Plan
 - Draft Plan Comment Period Ends
 - BRA Board Public Meeting
 - Zoning Commission Public Meeting

Sept 2011 to July 2012 December 23, 2011 February 1, 2012 February 8, 2012 April 4, 2012 August 14, 2012 September 10, 2012 October 14, 2012 October 18, 2012 November 14, 2012



University Mission and Goals

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- Campus history and background
- University values, mission, and goals
- Master planning process
- Boston University Community Task Force



BOSTON UNIVERSITY in association with: CBT Architects

Greenberg Consultants, Inc.

Tetra Tech

Campus Demographics

- Student enrollment:
 - Historical trends
 - Current population
 - Future enrollment projections
- Employment





Student Housing Plan

- Housing policies
 - Residency requirements
 - Assignment process
 - 4-year guarantee
- Housing plan
 - Residential projects
 - Student housing targets





Planning and Urban Design



Urban design principles:

- Mixed-use, high-density urban campus massing and urban infill
- Forging north-south connections/reconnecting to the Charles River
- Enhancing the public realm



Planning and Urban Design





- Proposed Institutional Projects (7)
 - Student Village Residence III (Site AA)
 - School of Law (Site BB)
 - Academic Building (Site CC)
 - Academic Building Addition (Site DD)
 - Science and Engineering Building (Site EE)
 - Academic/Administration Building (Site FF)
 - Myles Standish Residence Hall Renovation (Site GG)
- Public Realm Improvements
- Potential Development Sites



Seven (7) Proposed Institutional Projects





- Student Village Residence III (Site AA)
- Location John Hancock Student Village
- Lot Area Part of larger parcel
- Existing Use Surface parking
- Proposed Use Student residence
- Proposed Maximum Height TBD
- Proposed Maximum Size TBD
- Proposed Maximum FAR 3.3
- Current Zoning PDA





2. Boston University School of Law (Site BB)

- Location 763–767 Commonwealth Avenue
- Project Site Area 93,150 square feet
- Existing Use Academic use (School of Law)
- Proposed Use Academic use (School of Law)
- Proposed Maximum Height Existing tower at 264 feet
- Proposed Maximum Size Existing 170,000 square feet, addition of up to 100,000 square feet
- Proposed Maximum Floor Area Ratio (FAR) 3.0 (including Pappas Library)
- Current Zoning H-4





3. Academic Buildings Granby Street (Site CC)

- Location 645–665 Commonwealth Avenue
- Lot Area 42,000 square feet
- Existing Use Surface parking lot
- Proposed Use University use, primarily academic uses for instruction, research, offices, and ancillary uses. Below grade parking.
- Proposed Maximum Height 15 stories
- Proposed Maximum Building Area 350,000 square feet
- Proposed Maximum FAR 8.4
- Current Zoning H-4





4. Academic Building Addition Hinsdale Mall (Site DD)

- Location 640 Commonwealth Avenue
- Lot Area 67,232 square feet
- Existing Use Academic use
- Proposed Use University use, primary academic uses, including instruction, research, and offices.
- Proposed Maximum Height 3 stories
- Proposed Maximum Building Area 50,000 square feet
- Proposed Maximum FAR 4.0 (existing)
- Current Zoning H-4





5. Science and Engineering Research Building Cummington Mall (Site EE)

- Location 30–38 Cummington Mall
- Lot Area 25,000 square feet (including portion of street)
- Existing Use Academic
- Proposed Use University use, primary academic uses, including instruction, research, offices, and student study spaces
- Proposed Height 11 stories
- Proposed Maximum Building Area 165,000 square feet
- Proposed Maximum FAR 7.0
- Current Zoning M-2





6. Academic/Administrative Building Bay State Road (Site FF)

- Location 130 Bay State Road
- Lot Area +/- 19,000 square feet
- Existing Use Academic, vacant, and open space
- Proposed Use University use, including academic, research, office, and administrative uses
- Proposed Maximum Height 45 feet on Bay State Road, stepping up to 75 feet
- Proposed Maximum Building Area 60,000 square feet
- Proposed Maximum FAR 4.0 (existing)
- Current Zoning H-4





7. Myles Standish Residence Hall and Annex Beacon Street (Site GG)

- Location 610 Beacon Street (also referred to as 30 Bay State Road) and 632 Beacon Street
- Lot Area 26,100 square feet (both properties)
- Existing Use Student residence
- Proposed Use Student residence
- Proposed Maximum Height Nine stories, 80 feet (existing height)
- Proposed Maximum Building Area 230,000 square feet
- Proposed Maximum FAR 8.8
- Current Zoning H-4





Public Realm Improvements





Potential Development Sites





Transportation



2012-2022 Goals:

- Improve safety for all modes of travel in collaboration with City and State Agencies
- Increase use of sustainable modes of commuting to the Charles River Campus through rideshare and other BU sponsored services
- Minimize traffic and parking impacts on adjacent communities through parking policies and management plans



Sustainability

- Leadership, outreach, and education
- Operations
 - Climate and energy
 - Water conservation
 - Waste reduction and recycling
 - Dining services
- New construction





Economic Impact



- University spending
 - Purchases of goods, services, and capital expenditures
 - Wages, benefits, and salaries
- Student and out-ofstate visitor spending
- Regional economic development
- Direct payments and services to local communities



Community Benefits

- New and enhanced community programming
 - Community partnerships
 - Sports and recreational programs
 - Scholarship aid
 - Programs and services provided by the University's schools and colleges
 - Volunteer service programs
 - Cultural resources
- Government and community affairs





2012-2022 Institutional Master Plan

Questions?

http://www.bu.edu/community/institutional-master-plan/

http://www.bostonredevelopmentauthority.org/DevelopmentProjects/PipeDocs/Boston%20University%20IMP% 202012/Boston%20University%20IMP%202012_IMP.pdf



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